## [Facility Name] RESIDENT ASSISTANCE FORM

Please give us an opportunity to address your concerns by completing this form. There is information posted that lists the person available 24 hours a day for your assistance.

INFORMATION ABOUT PERSON REQUESTING ASSISTANCE				
Name (Please Print):				
Are you a resident living in this facility?  □ YES □ NO		If "Yes", what is your Room #?		
If "No", does this relate to a particular resident?		What is your relationship to that resident?		
Resident's Name:		<ul><li>☐ Durable Power of Attorney</li><li>☐ Guardian</li><li>☐ Other (explain):</li></ul>		
Street Address (if not resident):		•		
City:	State:		Zip Code:	
INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CONCERNS				
WHAT is your complaint about? (A		l sheets if necessary.		
WHEN did the problem or inciden	t occur?	Date:	Time: □ AM □ PM	

WHO ELSE KNOWS about the problem or them.)	incident	? (Include title of facility staff if you know		
HOW can we address your issues?				
Is this an ongoing problem?  ☐ Yes ☐ NO If "Yes," for how long?	Have you contacted us in the past about this complaint? ☐ Yes ☐ NO If "Yes," to whom?			
Your Signature:		Date:		
FACILITY RESPONSE				

ACTION TO BE TAKEN				
Signature (Facility):	Date:			
☐ I am satisfied with the response to my request for assistance.				
I am not satisfied with the response to my request for assistance. I request that the administrator review my complaint and provide me with a response.				
Signature (Complainant):	Date:			
FACILITY FOLLOW-UP				
Signature (Facility):	Date:			

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR REQUESTING ASSISTANCE FROM STAFF OF (Name of Facility)

We are committed to providing the highest quality of care to residents in our facility. We want you to feel safe in a homelike environment. In order for us to assist you, please follow the procedure identified below if you have any concerns about your care, treatment by staff, or anything else related to your stay in our facility.

- **Step 1** Tell the (staff person on each shift designated to handle complaints) of your concerns.
- **Step 2** If not satisfied with the staff person's response, complete our *Resident Assistance Form*. Let us know if you need help in completing the form.
- Step 3 Submit the form to (the person designated by the facility to receive and investigate complaints).
- **Step 4** If not satisfied with the facility's written response, complete a request for the administrator to review the investigation findings.
- **Step 5** If not satisfied with the Administrator's resolution, you may contact the State Ombudsman or the Michigan Department of Community Health, Bureau of Health Systems, to file a formal complaint.

## **WE WANT YOU TO KNOW THE FOLLOWING:**

- 1. We will keep your request as confidential as possible.
- 2. Our timeframes for investigating your concerns are:
  - (A) *Immediately (no later than 8 hours)* for abuse, neglect or misappropriation.
  - (B) As Soon As Possible but Within 5 Days for anything that has caused actual harm.
  - (C) As Soon As Possible but Within 15 Days for any other concern.
- 3. We will give you a written response as soon as possible but no later than 30 days after we receive your request.
- 4. We will follow-up to ensure your concern has been addressed satisfactorily and use the findings of our investigation as part of our Quality Improvement Program again keeping your name confidential, if possible.
- 5. You may contact the Michigan Department of Community Health, Bureau of Health Systems, at 1-800-882-6006 to file a complaint, or the State Ombudsman at 1-866-485-9393 for assistance at any time.